

## **New Jersey Department of Children and Families Policy Manual**

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## §10:122-7.4 Health requirements for staff members

- (a) Prior to or upon beginning work at the center, each staff member whose job duties require contact with the children for at least 20 percent of the center's weekly operating hours shall take a Mantoux tuberculin skin test with five TU (tuberculin units) of PPD tuberculin, except that the staff member shall have a chest x-ray taken if he or she has had a previous positive Mantoux tuberculin test. The staff member shall submit to the center written documentation of the results of the test and/or x-ray.
  - 1. If the Mantoux tuberculin test result is insignificant (zero to nine millimeters (mm) of induration), no further testing shall be required. The Office of Licensing or center may at any time require a staff member to retake the Mantoux tuberculin test if there is reason to believe or suspect that the staff member may have contracted tuberculosis or if the State Department of Health recommends retesting.
  - 2. If the Mantoux tuberculin skin test result is significant (10 or more mm of induration), the individual shall have a chest x-ray taken. If the chest x-ray shows significant results, the staff member shall not come in contact with the children unless he or she submits to the center a written statement from a health care provider certifying that he or she poses no threat of tuberculosis contagion.
- (b) Prior to beginning work, each staff member whose job duties require contact with the children for at least 20 percent of the center's weekly operating hours shall submit a written statement from a health care provider, indicating that he or she is in good health and poses no health risk to persons at the center. Such statement shall be based on a medical examination within the six months immediately preceding such person's working at the center.
- (c) The center shall maintain on file either at the center or at a central administrative office the results of each staff member's:
  - 1. Mantoux tuberculin test and/or chest x-ray when indicated; and

- 2. Physical examination.
- (d) The sponsor/sponsor representative or director shall exclude a staff member who:
  - 1. Exhibits the illnesses or symptoms of illness or diseases specified in N.J.A.C. 10:122-7.1(c)1 and (d); or
- 2. Appears to be physically, emotionally or mentally impaired or who appears to have a drug-induced or alcohol-induced condition that would endanger the health, safety, and well-being of a child while the child is in the staff member's care. The director shall document the action taken to exclude the staff member and maintain such documentation on file. The center shall not permit the staff member to return to the center until the condition is no